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MINUTES

Council of Academic Deans
August 18, 1981

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Davis at 9:00 a.m. Members present included Drs. Sandefur, Nelson, Gray, Hardin, Hellstrom, Lloyd, Robinson and Petersen. Dr. Nave represented Dr. Chelf.

Dr. Davis opened the meeting by distributing a draft of President Zacharias' recommendations to the Board of Regents regarding the revised budget. He also distributed copies of a press release on comparative salary levels at Western and benchmark institutions.

Recommended changes in the summer school program were reviewed and a letter incorporating these recommendations from Dr. Davis to President Zacharias was endorsed by the Council.

The Council on Higher Education has requested submission of a plan for regular review of academic programs. Dr. Robinson distributed a draft of a four to five year schedule for program reviews at Western. Discussion followed with some suggested change. The deans were requested to submit any further changes by later the same day in order that a response can be sent to Frankfort by August 19.

Dr. Davis briefly reported on the exit interviews with the management review team which visited the campus last week. He reported that their initial reactions were quite positive.

Dr. Steven House distributed a letter inquiring as to the deans' reaction to a change in policy regarding grade changes. Dr. Hellstrom moved that a new procedure be devised which would involve sign-offs by department heads and deans as well as the individual faculty member before submitting grade changes to the Registrar. Dr. Nelson seconded the motion and after brief discussion the motion was approved without dissent.

Dr. Davis requested that the deans give further consideration to possible budget reductions for the 1982-1983 academic year. Deadline for any faculty personnel decisions that must be made are close at hand. A general discussion followed.

Dr. Petersen distributed a draft of the 1981-82 administrative calander. Suggestions for additions or corrections were solicited.

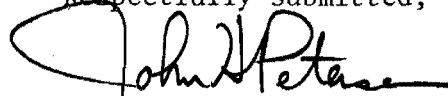
Agenda material for the August 22 meeting of the Board of Regents were distributed to the deans. The materials were briefly reviewed and discussed.

Dr. Lloyd summarized data he has compiled comparing cost-effectiveness of instructional programs at Western as opposed to other state universities in Kentucky. By several approaches, Western is the most cost-effective

university in the state.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John H. Petersen". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned directly below the phrase "Respectfully submitted,".

John H. Petersen

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